

**Resolution Number 239**  
**50<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF HARRIS HOUSE**

**Whereas**, Harris House is a treatment center that has been serving individuals struggling with addictions to alcohol and drugs for fifty years (since 1961) in St. Louis. It is unique to St. Louis and to the country; and

**Whereas**, Harris House helps people achieve sobriety and become healthy and productive individuals by providing the highest quality affordable care. They are one of the only facilities to offer short term, long term, and residential care. The combination of their available treatment options and ongoing support help their clients succeed in overcoming dependency; and

**Whereas**, Harris House provides a comprehensive continuum of treatment services and case management programs to address issues that could become relapse triggers; and

**Whereas**, Harris House gives people the opportunity to experience the miracle of their own recovery, regardless of race, creed, or economic status; and

**Whereas**, Harris House serves over 500 clients each year including their families. About 80% of their clients fall below the poverty line and 60% of their clients have a diagnosed mental disorder plus addiction; and

**Whereas**, Harris House expanded and constructed a new building in 2007 for their 28-day residential treatment program and has continued to acquire and renovate residential buildings in the area and now owns the entire 8300 block of South Broadway; and

**Whereas**, Harris House saves lives, and is an important community asset.

***NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED*** by the Board of Aldermen of the City of St. Louis that we pause in our deliberations to recognize the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Harris House and thank them for their dedication and service to St. Louis and we direct the Clerk of this Board to spread a copy of this Resolution across the minutes of these proceedings and to further prepare a commemorative copy to the end that it may be presented to our honorees at a time and place deemed appropriate by the Sponsor.

Introduced on the 28th day of October, 2011 by:

**Honorable Thomas Albert Villa, Alderman 11<sup>th</sup> Ward**

Adopted this the 28th day of October, 2011 as attested by:

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David W. Sweeney  
Clerk, Board of Aldermen

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Lewis E. Reed  
President, Board of Aldermen